GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TOURISM AND CULTURE
LOK SABHA

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PRESENCE OF ARMY IN RED FORT
ADHIR RANJAN CHOWDHURY;SHYAMA SINGH

Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the officials of the Archaeological Survey of India have expressed serious concern over the presence of Army in the Red Fort, Delhi;

(b) if so, whether a decision was taken in the past to withdraw the Army from Red Fort premises but no action has been taken so far;

(c) if so, the facts thereof;

(d) whether in view of the recent incidence in the Red Fort premises the Government propose to get it vacated from the Army authorities; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF TOURISM AND CULTURE (SHRI ANANTH KUMAR)

(a) to (e) A Public Interest Litigation has been filed in the Delhi High Court for the vacation of the Red Fort Delhi by the Army and the matter is sub-judice.